Remarks

By the foregoing Amendment, claim 1 is amended. No new matter is added by this Amendment. Entry of the Amendment, and favorable consideration thereof, is earnestly requested.

The Examiner has indicated that claim 1 contains an informality. Accordingly, claim 1 is amended.

The Examiner has indicated that Paragraph 0001 of the specification contains an informality. Accordinly, Paragraph 0001 has been amended.

It is respectfully submitted that claims 1-17, all of the claims remaining in the application, are in order for allowance, and early notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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